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User's Manual

Chandler Rover

Flashing and Configuration Utility for Prisma TFT-LCD Drivers

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Revision History

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1 Overview

Chandler Rover is a software tool for flashing firmware and EDIDs into Chandler (STDP6038) based Prisma TFT-LCD driver boards. It also allows user to configure the parameters of the TFT-LCD.

1.1 Supported Prisma Boards

Board	PCB Version	Firmware Version	Programmable EDIDs			Panel Config
			DisplayPort	HDMI	VGA	
PrismaMEDIA-Eco	1.1	>= 1.1.4	Y			
PrismaMEDIA-Eco	1.1	>= 1.2.1	Y	Y		
PrismaMEDIA-Eco	1.2	>= 2.0.0	Y	Y	Y	
PrismaMEDIA-Eco	1.2	>= 3.0.0	Y	Y	Y	Y
PrismaCOMPACT- Media	*	*	Y	Y	Y	
PrismaCOMPACT- Media	*	>= 2.0.0	Y	Y	Y	Y
PrismaMINI	*	<2.0.0		Y		
PrismaMINI	*	>=2.0.0		Y		Y

2 Requirements

2.1 Hardware Requirements

- IF370 – (ZU-02-370) – Serial Programming adapter
  - or IF396 for PrismaCOMPACT-Media
- 12V power supply

2.2 Software Requirements

Windows XP 32/64 bit
Windows 7 32/64 bit

3 Supported Features

3.1 Panel Configuration

Many different panels can be connected to the controller boards but every panel needs a specific configuration (LVDS-, timing-, power- and backlight configuration). ChandlerRover provides a GUI to generate a complete configuration for the desired panel and backlight unit. This configuration can be loaded to the controller board or read back from the controller board. The panel configuration is stored on the controller board in a dedicated area of the main memory (SPI Flash).

ChandlerRover also allows saving of the configuration as an xml-file and loading of a configuration from an xml-file.

3.2 OSD User Settings

After the controller board is configured for a specific panel, the user can adjust detailed image settings like brightness, colour temperature or RGB-gain with the help of an OSD menu. This OSD menu can be controlled by IR remote control or a multi button keypad. ChandlerRover provides functionality to read back these OSD settings from the board together with the firmware, store them and load them to other boards - thus allowing the production of multiple boards with exactly the same settings. OSD user settings are stored on the controller board on a dedicated part of the main memory (SPI Flash) together with the panel configuration.
User should keep in mind that these settings include the Panel Config too and this operation is equivalent of NVRAM Read and write operation in MarsRover.

3.3 Firmware Update

ChandlerRover can load FW updates to the controller board and read FW back from the board. The file format of the FW is Intel-Hex. The FW is stored on the board in an SPI flash.
Take the actual FW from Data Display Group customer download area
Request Password at sales@datadisplay.de

3.4 EDID Programming

EDIDs are EEPROMs which store the Extended Display Identification Data as defined by VESA. ChandlerRover can read and write all EDIDs on the controller board.

4 Installation

Click on the installer and follow the instructions. No special procedure required.

4.1 Setting up Registry for IF396

IF396 has an USB to RS232 converter chip on it. For every IF396 board that is connected to the USB port of the PC, a new COM port is created. To avoid this behaviour we can create a binary key in Registry and Assign it to 01

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HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\UsbFlags\IgnoreHWSerNum04036001
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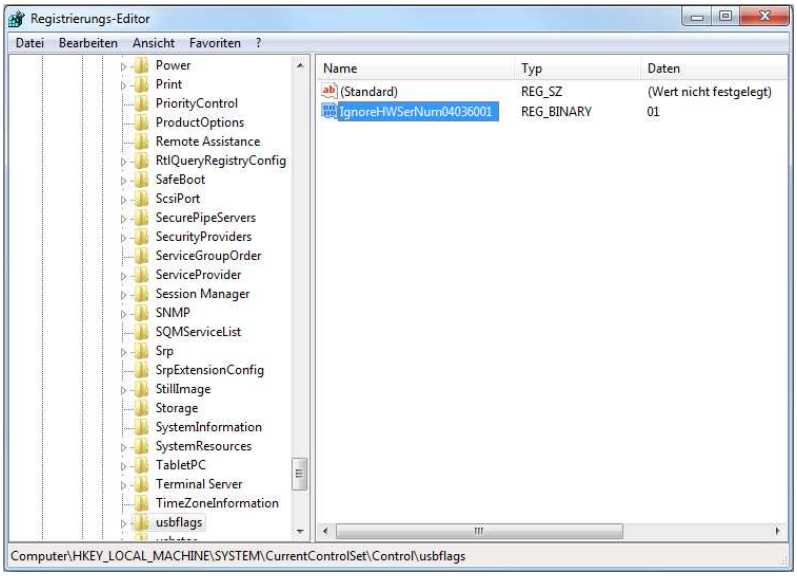
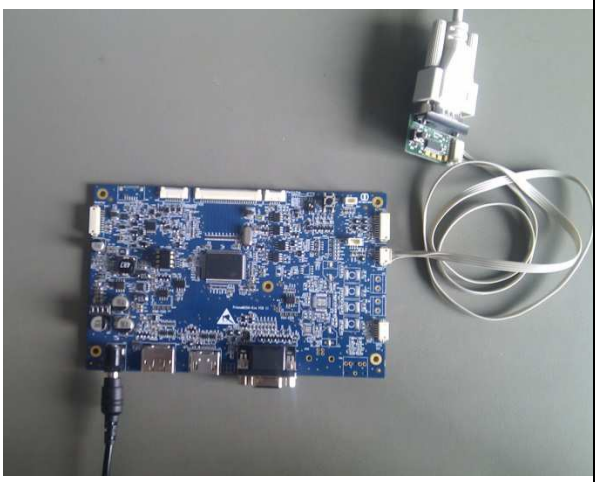
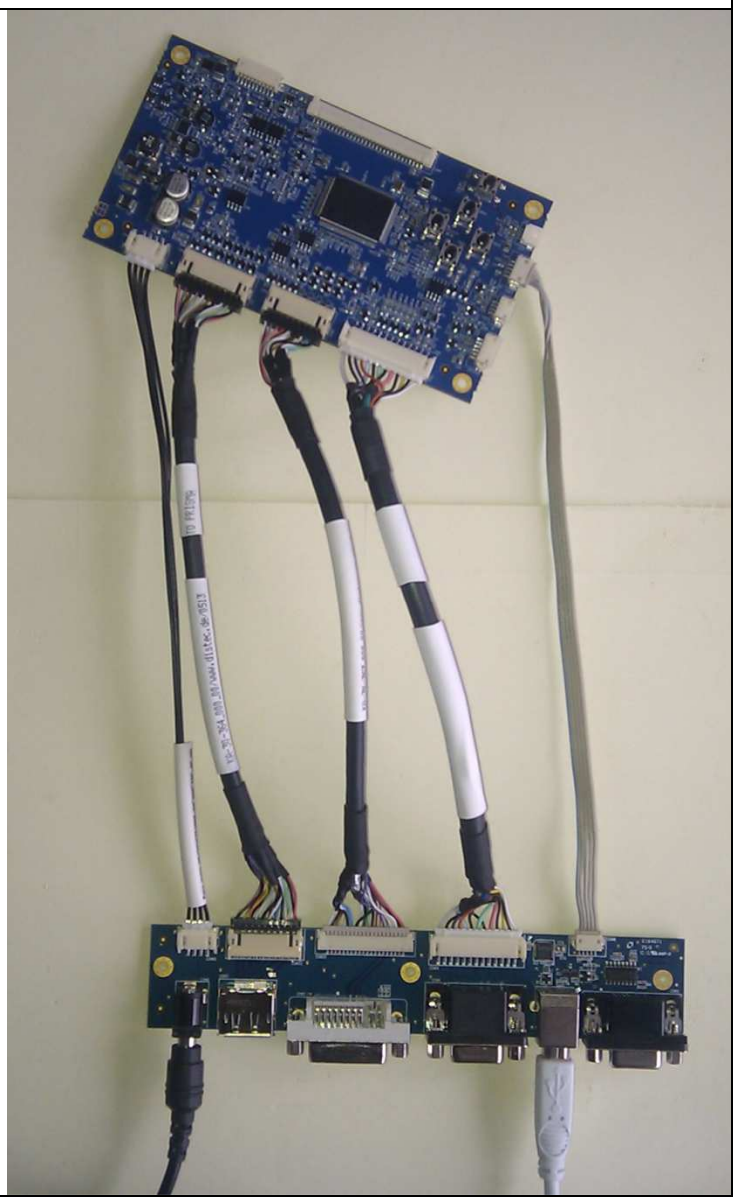


5 Connection

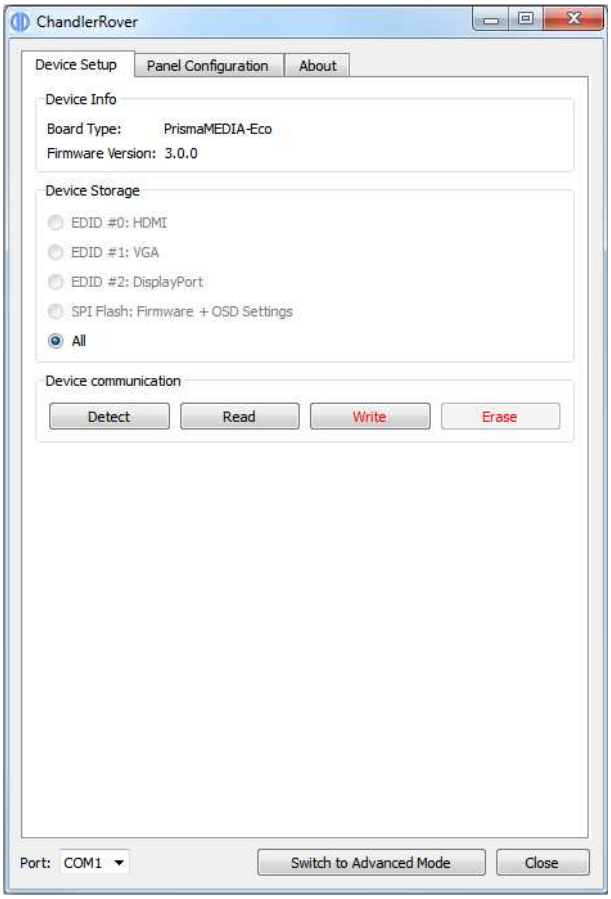
1. Connect your PC
    a. PC's serial connection to UART (CN8) connector of the PrismaMEDIA-Eco
    b. PC's USB port to USB (CON4) connector of IF396 (for PrismaCOMPACT-Media)

2. Do not connect any Panels or Inverters

3. Connect your board to 12V power supply

PrismaMedia-Eco	PrismaCOMPACT-Media
	

6 Graphical User Interface



6.1 Port selection

Port selection drop down menu allows user to select which serial port is to be used. ChandlerRover remembers the last port selection so it is only one required to set it up. USB connected PrismaCompact-Media boards (through IF396) will be listed as a COM port too.

6.2 Switch to Advanced/Simple mode

There 2 differents modes of operation, explained in the coming sections. "Switch to Advanced/simple mode" button allows user to switch among those modes. This button does not exist in the Lite version.

6.3 Simple Mode

ChandlerRover starts with the simple mode which only has the most basic functions to not to confuse the user and simplify the workflow. User can perform flash all or read all operations with the simple Mode.

6.4 Advanced Mode

User can switch to Advanced mode to enable sub operations of the programming process. Advanced mode can be switched on and off using the pushbutton on the right bottom of the software. Please note that this button and functionality is not available in the Lite version.

6.5 Device Setup

Device Setup is the first Tab of the software which shows the board information, storage devices and basic operations.

6.5.1 Device Info

Device info section can be seen on the top of the Device Setup Tab. It informs user about the connected board and the version of the firmware found on the board. This section is updated after a press on the Detect button. If the board is never flashed before, it will show "Not Detected"

6.5.2 Device Storage

Device Storage section allows user to select specifically which part of the board to be programmed. Only All selection is enabled in the Simple mode and in Advanced mode some of the EDIDs can be disabled according to hardware and Firmware version. After the detect operation. Please refer to section 1.1 Supported Prisma Boards for learning which EDIDs are supported with which Firmware.

User can select among

- EDID #0: HDMI
- EDID #1: RGB
- EDID #2: DisplayPort
- SPI Flash: Firmware + OSD Settings
- All

EDIDs, as the name implies, EEPROMs which store the Extended Display Identification Data as defined by VESA.

SPI Flash is the nonvolatile memory for storing Firmware, OSD Settings (i.e. User preferences) and the Panel Configuration.

All operation allows user to read or write all the components at once as a compressed zip file. Zip file contains a files with specific prefix scheme .

File Type	Prefix
Firmware	FW_
EDID – HDMI or DVI	EDID0_
EDID – RGB	EDID1_
EDID – DP	EDID2_
Panel config	CONFIG_

6.5.3 Device Communication

Device communication section contains the buttons to start the required operation.

User can perform

- Detect
- Read
- Write
- Erase

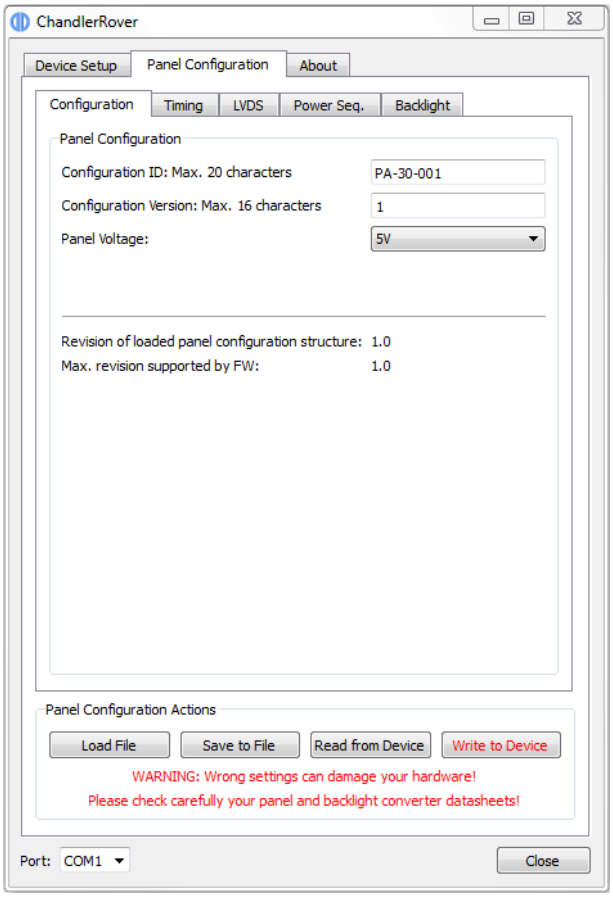
Operations.

Detect operation identifies the connected board and the firmware present on the board. It also disables EDID radio buttons if it is not supported with the present firmware.

As the names imply Read, Write and Erase buttons perform the Read, write and erase operations on the selected device by the Device storage.
Erase Button is not enabled in the Lite version.

6.6 Panel Configuration

Every TFT-LCD panel and inverter combination has different timing parameters and voltages. Panel configuration, the middle tab in the ChandlerRover interface, allows user to set those Panel timing parameters and voltages, backlight unit control parameters and voltages and power up and down sequences.



6.7 Buttons

Four buttons at the bottom of the window provide the following functions:

Load File
Read panel configuration parameters from an xml file and display them in the ChandlerRover GUI.

Save to File
Save the configuration parameters currently shown in the GUI to an xml file.

Read from Device
Read panel configuration parameters via serial port from the connected controller board and show them in the ChandlerRover GUI. For this a powered board with running FW must be connected to your PC.

Write to Device
Load the configuration parameters currently shown in the GUI to the connected controller board. For this a powered board with running FW must be connected to your PC.

6.8 Tabs

The following five tabs provide a user interface to set all configuration parameters.

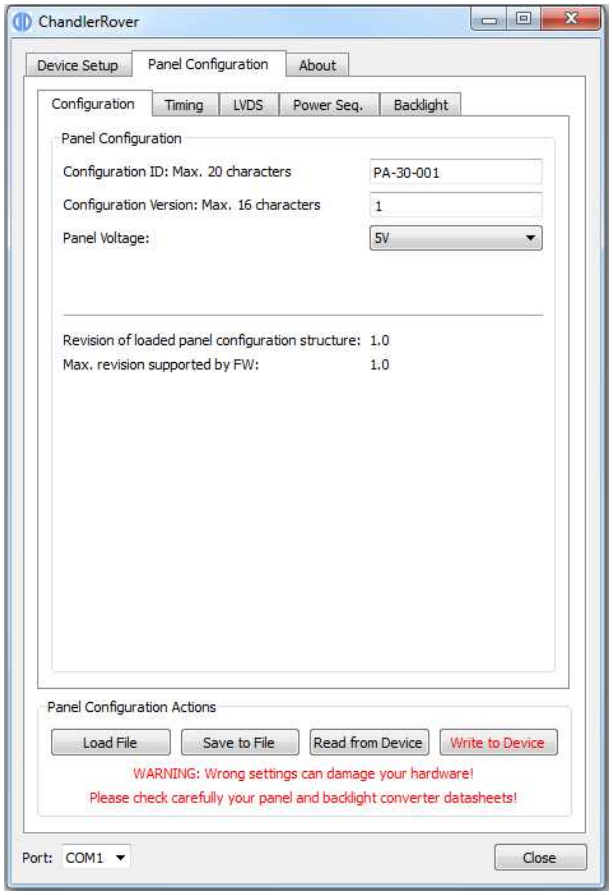
6.8.1 Configuration

Configuration ID
This string identifies the panel configuration (e.g. panel type, product number etc.). It is 20 chacter long. The ID can be chosen freely.

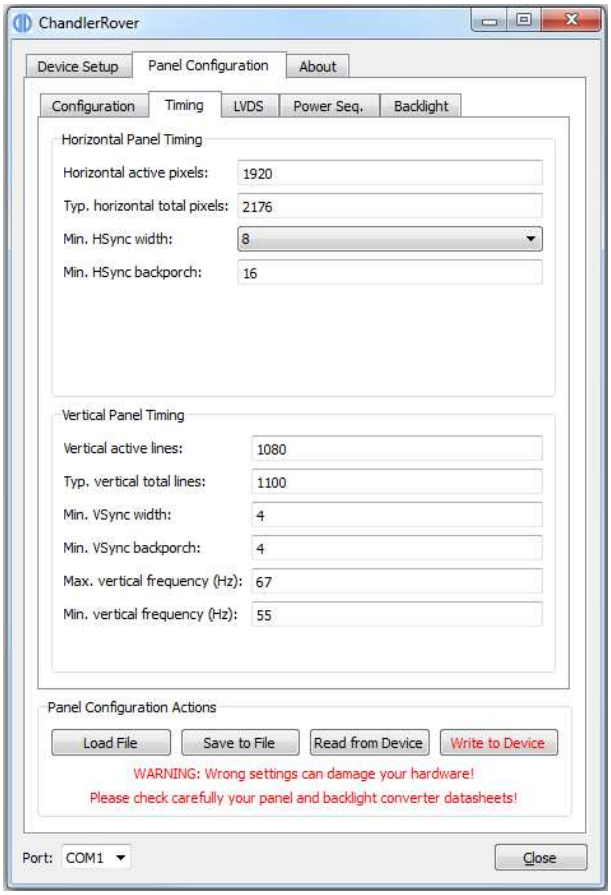
Configuration Version
This string identifies the version of the panel configuration. It is 16 characters long. There might be different configurations for the same panel, they can be differentiated by the version number. The version can be chosen freely.

Panel Voltage
Our controller boards support panels with 3.3V, 5V and 12V supply voltage.

Attention: Selecting the wrong voltage can damage your panel!



6.8.2 Timing

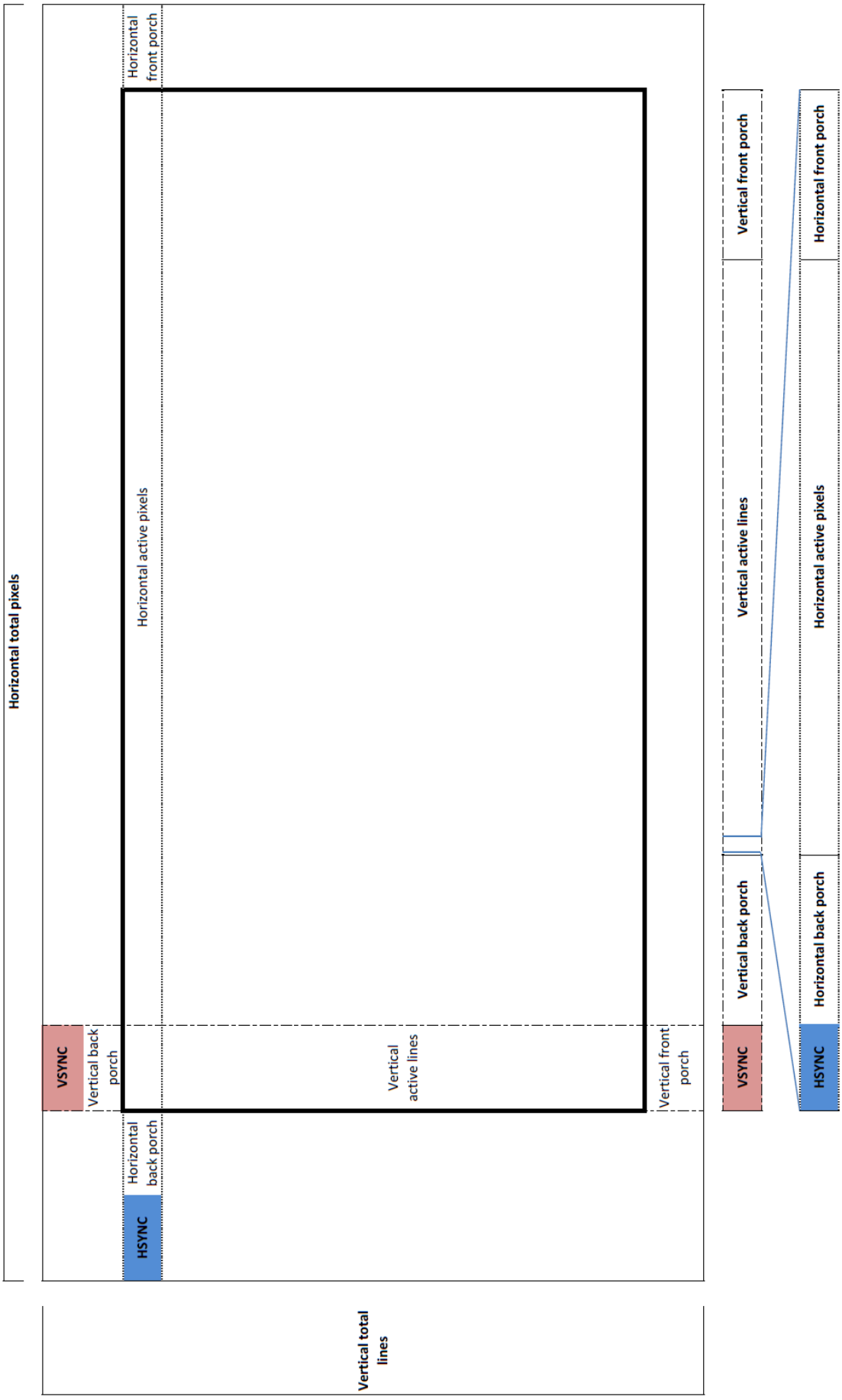


6.8.2.1 Horizontal Panel Timing

Set values "**Horizontal active pixels**", "**Typ. horizontal total pixels**", "**Min. HSync width**" and "**Min. HSync backporch**" according to your panel datasheet. All values must be greater than 0. The definition of these parameters can be seen in the following diagram.

6.8.2.2 Vertical Panel Timing

Set values "**Vertical active lines**", "**Typ. vertical total lines**", "**Min. VSync width**", "**Min. VSync backporch**", "**Max. vertical frequency (Hz)**" and "**Min. vertical frequency (Hz)**" according to your panel datasheet. All values must be greater than 0. The definition of these parameters can be seen in the following diagram.


Horizontal total pixels
Horizontal front porch
Horizontal active pixels
VSYNC
Vertical back porch
Vertical active lines
Vertical front porch
Horizontal back porch
HSYNC
Vertical total lines
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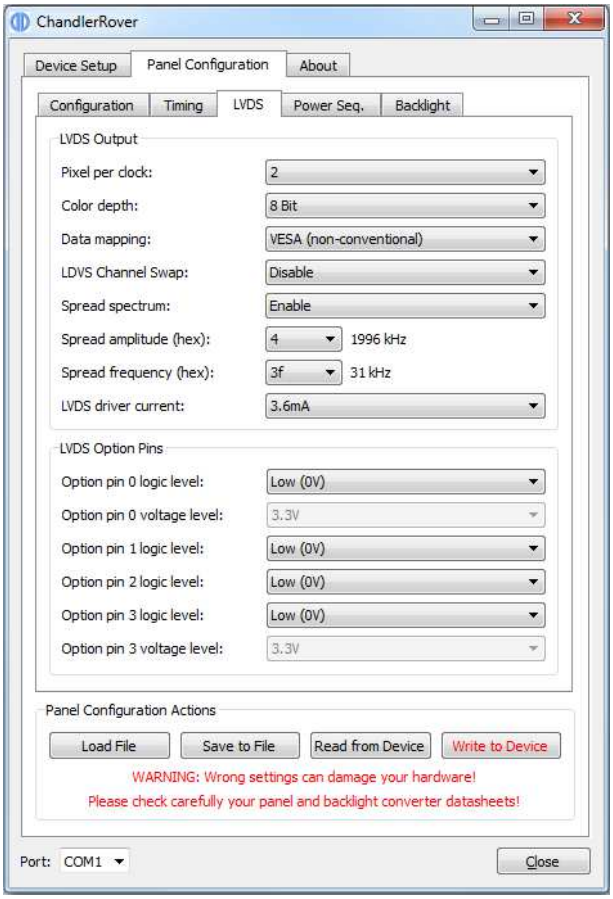
VSYNC
Horizontal front porch
Horizontal active pixels
Horizontal back porch
HSYNC

6.8.3 LVDS



6.8.3.1 LVDS Output

Pixel per clock: 1 or 2 pixel transmitted per LVDS clock cycle;
Color depth: 6, 8 or10 bit per R, G and B color component;
Data mapping: JEIDA (conventional LVDS data mapping) or VESA (non-conventional LVDS data mapping);
LVDS Channel Swap: On dual channel LVDS, this option allows swapping odd and even channel.

Spread spectrum: Enable or Disable LVDS spread spectrum;
Spread amplitude (hex): Choose from hex values 0x0 to 0x7, the resulting spread amplitude according to the controller datasheet is shown on the right of the drop-down box;
Spread frequency (hex): Choose from hex values 0x0 to 0x3F, the resulting spread frequency according to the controller datasheet is shown on the right of the drop-down box;
Enabling LVDS spread spectrum will result in better EMI behaviour but not all panels work with spread LVDS signals. A good starting point is 0x4 for spread amplitude and 0x3F for spread frequency. Should you see image interference with these values reduce the amplitude until your picture is stable.

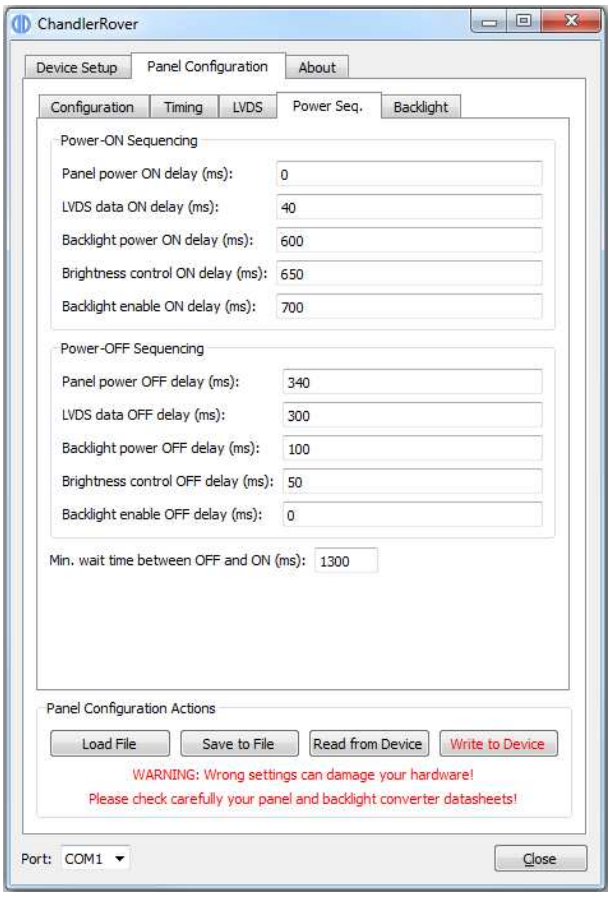
LVDS driver current: 3.6mA, 4.6mA, 5.6mA or 7.1mA;
Lower driver current will result in better EMI behaviour but also means lower LVDS differential output voltage. The resulting differential output voltage depends on the connected panel. Setting the driver current to the minimum can result in a differential output voltage that is too low for the attached panel. In case you see image interference with your driver settings increase the driver current.

6.8.3.2 LVDS Option Pins

Our TFT controller boards provide output pins which can be used to control special panel options. For example many panels offer the possibility to select the color depth or data mapping via a dedicated input pin. Such options can be selected by connecting the panel pins to the board's option pins.
There are three option pins on our controller boards and their logic level is configurable by ChandlerRover. Most pins have a logic high voltage level of 3.3V, for pin 3 the voltage level can be set to 3.3V or 5V. Note that the option pins are included in the power sequencing process: In case an option pin is set to high it is switched on and off together with the Panel Power.

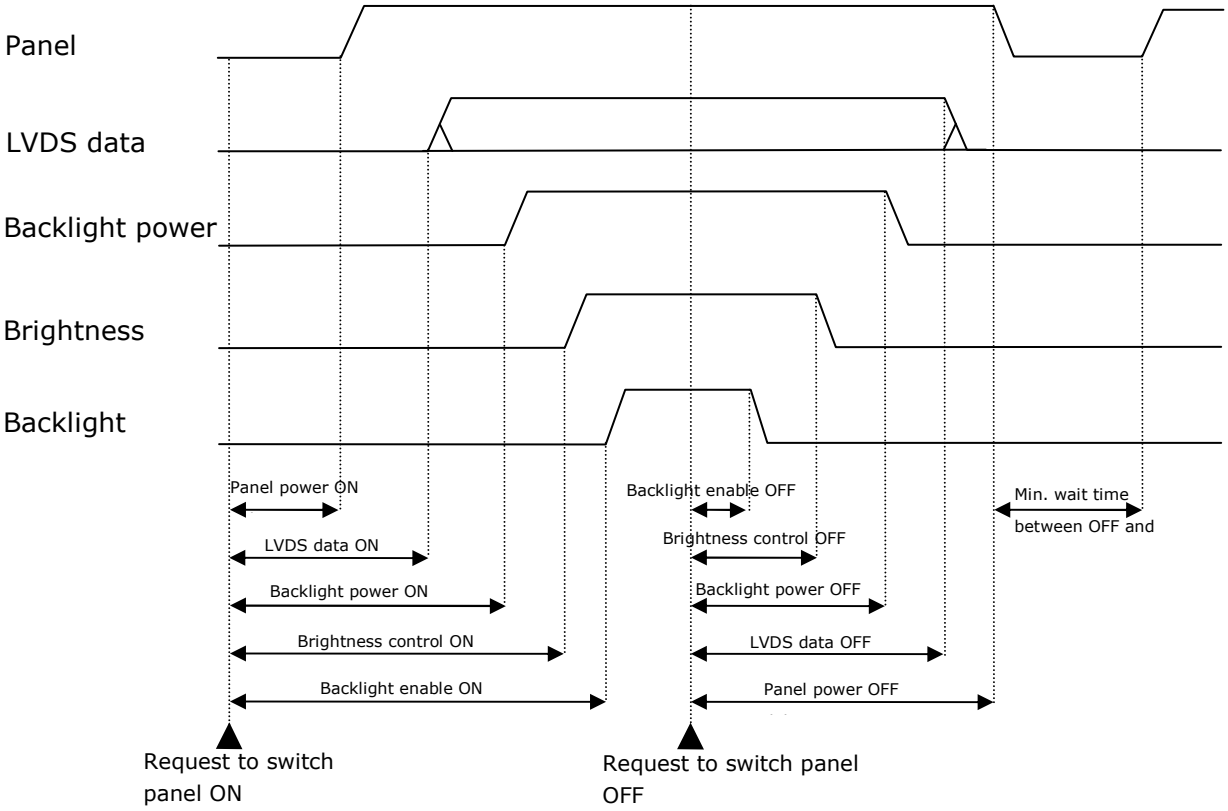
Option pin 0 logic level: Low (0) or High (3.3V)
Option pin 0 voltage level: 3.3V or 5V
Option pin 1 logic level: Low (0) or High (3.3V)
Option pin 2 logic level: Low (0) or High (3.3V)
Option pin 3 logic level: Low (0) or High (3.3V or 5V)
Option pin 3 voltage level: 3.3V or 5V

6.8.4 Power Sequencing



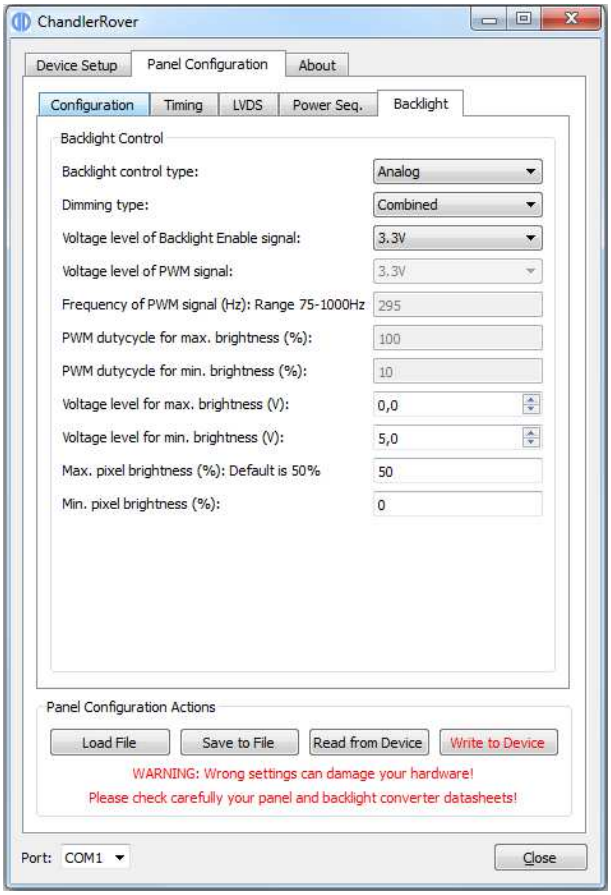
Five signals are part of the power sequencing process:
- Panel power (3.3V, 5V or 12V)
- LVDS data
- Backlight power
- Brightness control (PWM signal or analog DC voltage)
- Backlight enable signal

The following diagram shows the definition of the sequencing values:



The unit of all sequencing values is milli seconds. The request to switch the panel on or off can come from the power button of the OSD keypad, IR remote control or by the controller itself when a valid input signal is found (switch on) or the signal is lost (switch off).
In most cases the panel power will be switched on first and the "Panel power ON delay" value can be set to 0. Similar, in most cases the backlight enable signal will be switched off first and the "Backlight enable OFF delay" value can be set to 0.

6.8.5 Backlight



Backlight control type: Analog (variable DC voltage is used to control the brightness) or PWM (brightness is controlled by the duty cycle of a PWM signal).

Dimming type: Backlight Dimming (brightness is controlled by electrically changing the backlight), Pixel Dimming (brightness is controlled by changing the pixel color) or a combination of both; If combined is selected the lower 50% of the brightness range is controlled by pixel dimming and the upper 50% is controlled by backlight dimming.

Voltage level of Backlight Enable signal: 3.3V or 5V

Voltage level of PWM signal: 3.3V or 5V
Frequency of PWM signal (Hz): The range for the PWM frequency is 75Hz to 1000Hz
PWM dutycycle for max. brightness (%): Enter the dutycycle of the PWM signal at which the backlight unit has its highest brightness.
PWM dutycycle for min. brightness (%): Enter the dutycycle of the PWM signal at which the backlight unit has its lowest brightness.

Voltage level for max. brightness (V): Enter the voltage level of the brightness control signal at which the backlight unit has its highest brightness.
Voltage level for min. brightness (V): Enter the voltage level of the brightness control signal at which the backlight unit has its lowest brightness.

Max. pixel brightness (%): Relative value with range 0% to 100%; This value is usually set to 50% for best picture quality. Higher values than 50% will have the result that black is becoming

grey. If “Backlight Dimming” is selected as dimming type, the pixel brightness is always set to “Max. pixel brightness”.
Min. pixel brightness (%): Relative value with range 0% to 100%; This value should be set to 8% or lower for best picture quality;

7 Command Line

ChandlerRover can also be started from a command line in command line mode. All options provided by the GUI (without creating a panel configuration) are available in command line mode. Open a DOS box or shell, go to your installation directory and type the following command for help:

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ChandlerRover -?
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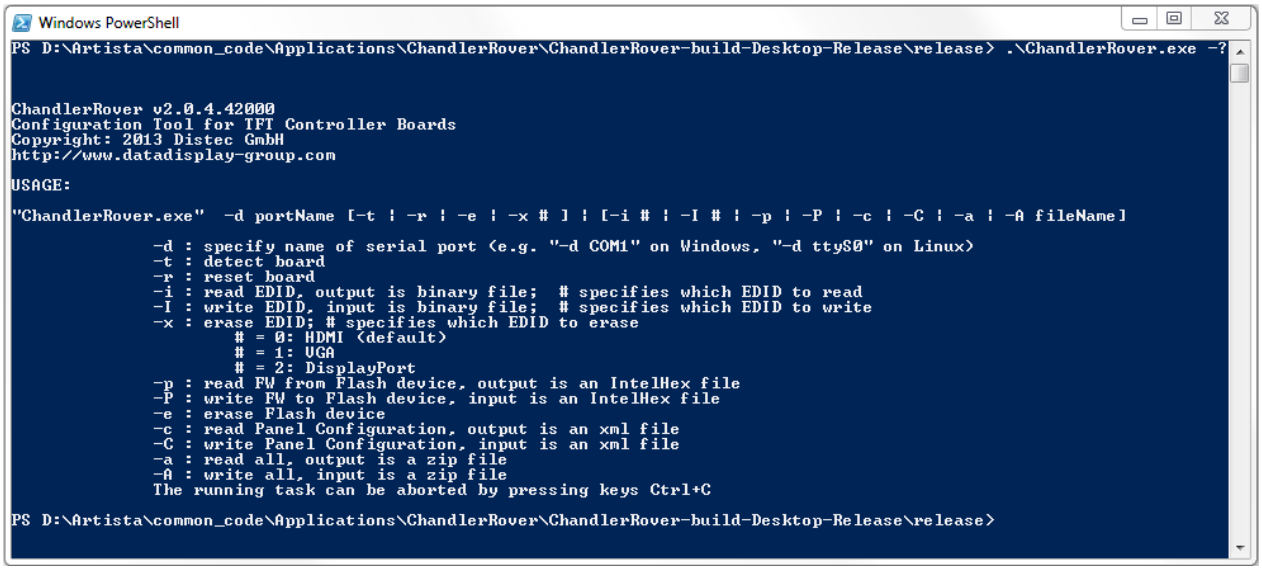
This prints the following help screen:


Windows PowerShell
PS D:\Artista\common_code\Applications\ChandlerRover\ChandlerRover-build-Desktop-Release\release> .\ChandlerRover.exe -?
ChandlerRover v2.0.4.42000
Configuration Tool for TFT Controller Boards
Copyright: 2013 Distec GmbH
http://www.datadisplay-group.com
USAGE:
"ChandlerRover.exe" -d portName [-t | -r | -e | -x #] | [-i # | -I # | -p | -P | -c | -C | -a | -A fileName]
-d : specify name of serial port (e.g. "-d COM1" on Windows, "-d ttyS0" on Linux)
-t : detect board
-r : reset board
-i : read EDID, output is binary file; # specifies which EDID to read
-I : write EDID, input is binary file; # specifies which EDID to write
-x : erase EDID; # specifies which EDID to erase
= 0: HDMI (default)
= 1: VGA
= 2: DisplayPort
-p : read FW from Flash device, output is an IntelHex file
-P : write FW to Flash device, input is an IntelHex file
-e : erase Flash device
-c : read Panel Configuration, output is an xml file
-C : write Panel Configuration, input is an xml file
-a : read all, output is a zip file
-A : write all, input is a zip file
The running task can be aborted by pressing keys Ctrl+C
PS D:\Artista\common_code\Applications\ChandlerRover\ChandlerRover-build-Desktop-Release\release>

8 News and Updates

The latest version of documents, drivers and software packages can be found at:

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